GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN
Baxla Shri Joachim;Nahata Smt. P. Jaya Prada

Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to grant more powers and autonomy to the National Commission for Women;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the details of cases sent to the State governments including West Bengal by the National Commission for Women;

(e) the number of the cases wherein recommended action has been taken; and

(f) the details of the cases pending for action?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY)

(a),(b)&(c) As per the existing provisions of the National Commission for Women Act, 1990, the Commission has financial and functional autonomy. As per Section 9(2) of the said Act, the Commission can regulate its own procedure and the procedure of its committees. As per Section 10 of the Act, the Commission also has powers of a civil court trying a suit while investigating any matter connected with constitutional and legal safeguards for women or deprivation of women's rights.

(d),(e)&(f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.